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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent to Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Headwall Photonics, Inc. of Fitchburg, Massachusetts, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 7,460,227, "METHOD TO DETECT BONE FRAGMENTS DURING THE PROCESSING OF MEAT OR FISH," issued on December 2, 2008, U.S. Patent No. 7,787,111, "SIMULTANEOUS ACQUISITION OF FLUORESCENCE AND REFLECTANCE IMAGING TECHNIQUES WITH A SINGLE IMAGING DEVICE FOR MULTITASK INSPECTION," issued on August 31, 2010, U.S. Patent No. 8,126,213, "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR WHOLESOMENESS INSPECTION OF FRESHLY SLAUGHTERED CHICKENS ON A PROCESSING LINE," issued on February 28, 2012, and U.S. Patent No. 8,159,525, "PORTABLE MULTISPECTRAL IMAGING SYSTEMS," issued on April 17, 2012.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESS: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights in these inventions are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license these inventions as Headwall Photonics, Inc. of Fitchburg, Massachusetts has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

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